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Deputy Ryan Lopez' interview by ICIB may be viewed in the ICIB Investigation Book [Exhibit A].

#### WITNESS INTERVIEWS

Witness interviews may be found in the ICIB Investigation Book [Exhibit A].

#### **EXHIBITS**

A - ICIB Investigation Book, Book 1 of 2

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 C - ICIB Table of Contents, Supplemental Report and Charge Evaluation Worksheet.

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- \* Admonition Forms
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#### ATTACHMENTS

- Office Correspondence from Sergeant Hieder to Captain Mannis, dated
   October 4, 2010, with attached resignation letters for Subjects
- B Office Correspondence from Chief Burns to Captain Mannis, dated October 5, 2010, with attached ICIB Supplemental Reports, court documentation and associated Office Correspondence.

#### MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS

- \* Admonition Form for Subject Lopez
- \* Receipt for documents (LASPA)

## INTERNAL AFFAIRS BUREAU INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY IAB CASE # IV 2163204 VOLUME 2 OF 2

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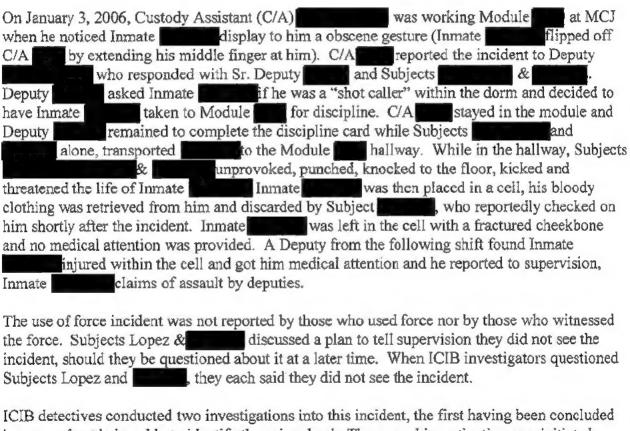
MCJ Inmate , MH/ , BK#

SUBJECTS:	Deputy
LOCATION:	Men's Central Jail
LOCATION:	441 Bauchet Street, Los Angeles California 90012
DATE/TIME OF INCIDENT:	Monday, January 3, 2006, 1600 hours
DATE OF DEPARTMENT KNOWLEDGE:	January 5, 2006
<b>ALLEGATIONS</b>	
to kill him, and kicked him repea his body including a fractured ch	assaulted Inmate within nunching him, knocking him to the ground two times, threatened stedly while on the ground. The use of force caused injuries to eekbone. It is alleged they did not report their use of force, nor and that they gave false statements to investigators.
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#### POLICY SECTIONS

1.	Unreasonable Force	MPP 3-01/025.10
2.	Obedience to Laws, Regulations, and Orders	MPP 3-01/030.10
3.	False Statements During Internal Investigation	MPP 3-01/040.75
4.	Safeguarding Persons in Custody	MPP 3-01/040.97
5.	Force Reporting and Review Procedures	MPP 5-09/430.00

#### SYNOPSIS



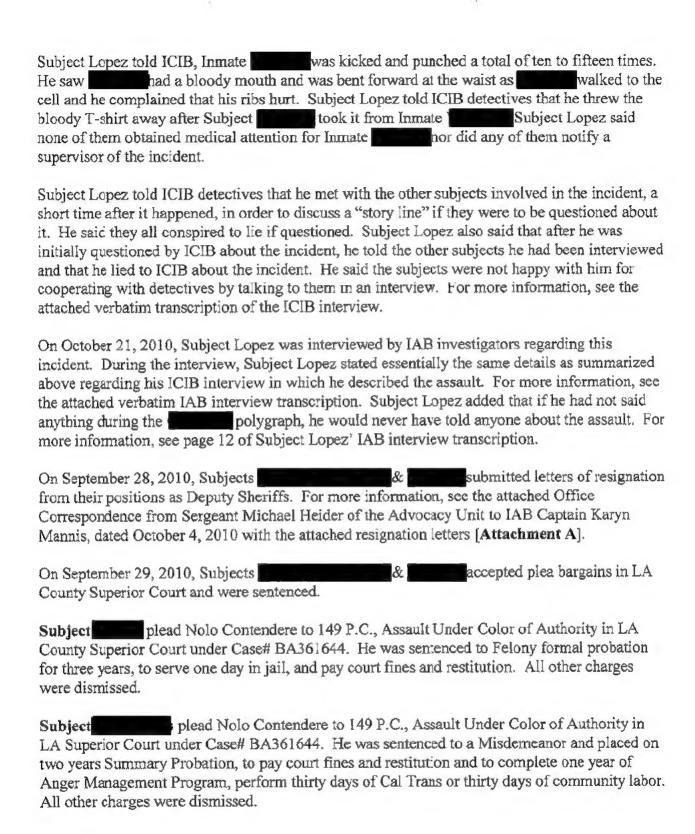
ICIB detectives conducted two investigations into this incident, the first having been concluded because of not being able to identify those involved. The second investigation was initiated when new information was obtained. As a result of their investigation, felony charges of "Assault By A Public Officer" 149 P.C. and "Assault By Means Likely To Produce Great Bodily Injury" 245(a)(1) P.C. were filed against Subjects

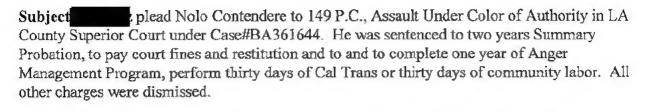
### INVESTIGATION

Due to this investigation being separated into two volumes, the following details pertain to Subjects & Lopez. Subject Lopez is included in both Volume 1 and Volume 2 in order to add his IAB interview. The following is an excerpt from Volume 1, followed by updated information from his IAB interview on October 21, 2010.
Subject Deputy Ryan Lopez  It is alleged Subject Lopez witnessed the assault but failed to report the use of force, that he failed to get medical aid for Inmate that he tampered with physical evidence by throwing Inmate bloody T-shirt away, and that he made false statements during the investigation of this incident.
Subject Lopez told ICIB detectives on January 17, 2006, that although he was assigned to work in Module on the date of the incident, he was not physically present at the time Inmate was brought to the module. He said he was helping with an incoming line of inmates outside of the module and that he did not know who brought Inmate to Module Subject Lopez said he remembered seeing Inmate bare chested within a cell during a security check and he gave him a blanket. He added that he did not see injuries on Inmate claim he was injured and he did not ask for medical attention. Subject Lopez said he did not witness any inmate being assaulted by jail employees and no inmates told him an assault occurred in the walkway.
On July 31, 2006, Subject Lopez applied for the position of and was scheduled for a Polygraph examination, which occurred on August 13, 2006. During the exam Subject Lopez said he witnessed a use of force by deputies against an inmate and when questioned by (ICIB) investigators, he lied in order to cover for his fellow deputies. Subject Lopez told the examiner that he saw fellow deputies slap and kick an inmate while the inmate was on the floor. The ICIB interview of the Polygraph examiner may be found on pages 37A - 37C of the ICIB Investigation Book [Exhibit A of Volume 1]. For more information, see the Chino Police Department Pre Employment Polygraph Worksheet (Exhibit K) in the ICIB Investigation Book, [Exhibit B of Volume 1].
On September 15, 2006, ICIB detectives again, contacted Subject Lopez and asked him if his prior statements to ICIB were true. Subject Lopez replied "Yes sir" and he gave a brief account of his recollection of his duties on the date of the incident. ICIB detectives told Subject Lopez they knew he applied to and submitted to a Polygraph exam. On page 37D of the ICIB Investigation Book [Exhibit A], they wrote that Subject Lopez lowered his head and stated: "I understand, sir. Uh, I'd just—I'd rather not say the truth to be totally honest with you. And, if it

costs me my job, then it costs my job." He added that he wanted to consult with the people he was covering for before telling the truth. Subject Lopez ultimately related what he witnessed and

what his actions were regarding the incident on January 3, 2006.





For more information, see the Office Correspondence from Chief Dennis Burns of Custody Operations Division to IAB Captain Karyn Mannis, dated October 5, 2010, inactivating this investigation on Subjects Also attached are copies of the court documents (ICIB Exhibit T), updated ICIB Supplemental Reports and Disposition Memorandums [Attachment B].

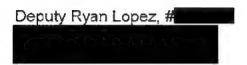


# County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department Headquarters



4700 Ramona Boulevard Monterey Park, California 91754-2169

November 3, 2010



Dear Deputy Lopez:

You are hereby notified that it is the intention of the Sheriff's Department to discharge you from your position of Deputy Sheriff, Item No. 2708A, with this Department, effective the close of business November 29, 2010.

An investigation under File Number IAB 2163204, conducted by Internal Affairs Bureau, coupled with your own statements, has established the following:

- 1. That in violation of Manual of Policy and Procedures Sections 3-01/030.10, Obedience to Laws, Regulations and Orders; and/or 3-01/040.97, Safeguarding Persons in Custody; and/or 3-01/050.10, Performance to Standards, on or about January 3, 2006, you failed to attempt to stop other deputies from using unreasonable force against Inmate as evidenced by but not limited to, the following statements made during your second Internal Criminal Investigation Bureau (ICIB) interview:
  - Kunihiro: "Did you make any attempt to tell these deputies to stop or?"
  - Lopez: "I didn't, no. I didn't do anything."

Thus, you failed to conform to the work standards established for your position as a deputy sheriff.

 That in violation of Manual of Policy and Procedures Sections 3-01/030.10, Obedience to Laws, Regulations and Orders (as it pertains to Custody Operations Division Manual Section 5-03/060.00, Medical Diagnosis and Treatment Jensuring inmates receive appropriate medical attention]); and/or 3-01/040.97, Safeguarding Persons in Custody, on or about January 3, 2006, you failed to obtain medical attention for Inmate as evidenced by, but not limited to, the following statements made during your second ICIB interview:

Lopez:

"I was an EMT you know, and I just checked him out real quick and he had gotten his ass kicked, but you know, I just, I knew he was going to live. So I just said, 'screw it,' and left the guy in there."

Lopez:

"And you know, checked him out, you know. I felt bad for him. I know he didn't have a blanket. I pretty much just wanted to smooth things over as much as I could. Just so you know, not so much attention would get drawn to this guy. So nothing like this would happen, but about the extent of my smoothing over was giving him a blanket and just telling him, 'Hey, you need to suck it up, because I'm not going to get a nurse to you."

Mathews:

"And obviously not get him a nurse because?"

Lopez:

"Because obviously it looks like he got the shit

kicked out of him."

3. That in violation of Manual of Policy and Procedures Section 3-01/030.10, Obedience to Laws, Regulations and Orders (specifically as it pertains to Manual Section 5-09/430.00, Use of Force Reporting and Review Procedures), on or about January 3, 2006, and again on or about January 17, 2006, you failed to report the force that you witnessed being used against Inmate

4. That in violation of Manual of Policy and Procedures Sections 3-01/040.65, Tampering with Evidence; and/or 3-01/030.10, Obedience to Laws, Regulations and Orders (specifically as it pertains to Manual Section 5-04/100.00, Evidence Handling and/or 5-04/100.05, Preservation of Evidence), on or about January 3, 2006, you removed and destroyed evidence (Inmate bloody shirt), as evidenced by, but not limited to, the

following statements made during your second ICIB interview and during your Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB) interview:

Mathews: "What made you decide to go get the T-shirt?"

Lopez: "I didn't want that being used as evidence."

Mathews: "Okay."

Lopez: "I didn't want anybody getting in trouble just

because that stupid bloody T-shirt was there."

Denison: "In other words, you got rid of the T-shirt

because of its evidence of an assault?"

Lopez: "Absolutely."

Denison: "Do you know if that T-shirt was ever

recovered by anybody?"

Lopez: "I don't believe so."

- 5. That in violation of Manual of Policy and Procedures Sections 3-01/040.75, Failure to Make Statements and/or Making False Statements During Departmental Internal Investigations and/or 3-01/040.76, Obstructing an Investigation/Influencing a Witness, on or about January 17, 2006 and again on or about September 15, 2006, you made false and/or misleading statements during your Internal Criminal Investigations Bureau (ICIB) interviews, as evidenced by, but not limited to:
  - a) admitting to Sergeant Kunihiro during your second ICIB interview that you lied to him during the first ICIB investigation, and/or;
  - b) admitting to Sergeant Mathews that you lied during the first part of your second ICIB interview, and/or;
  - c) stating to the polygraph examiner for Chino Police Department that you were involved in an unreported use of force incident while on duty at Men's Central Jail and had lied during your January 17, 2006, ICIB interview into the matter, and/or;

d) the following statements that were made during your IAB interview:

Denison: "And then the very last line it says, your

statement is, 'I lied to your face, Sergeant, I wasn't about to go tell on somebody else.' Is that in reference to the first time that Sergeant Kunihiro

talked to you?"

Lopez: "Yeah."

Denison: "So what you're referring to is that you

lied to his face?"

Lopez: "Yeah, I was, I was telling him I lied to

him."

You may respond to the intended action orally or in writing. In the event that you choose to respond orally to these charges, you have already been scheduled to meet with Chief Dennis Burns on November 23, 2010, at 0930 hours, in his office, which is located at Twin Towers Correctional Facility, 450 Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, Room E-801. If you are unable to appear at the scheduled time and wish to schedule some other time prior to November 23, 2010, for your oral response, please call Chief Burns' secretary at for an appointment.

If you choose to respond in writing, please call Chief Burns' secretary to cancel your scheduled appointment, and send your response to the facts contained in this letter to Chief Burns' office by no later than November 23, 2010.

Unless you are currently on some other type of authorized leave, pursuant to Rule 16.01 of the Los Angeles County Civil Service Commission Rules, effective immediately, you are on paid administrative leave which will continue during the fifteen (15) business days you have to respond to the intended discharge or until the conclusion of your pre-disciplinary hearing. If you are presently on an authorized leave, that leave will continue during the fifteen (15) business days you have to respond to the intended discharge, or until the conclusion of your pre-disciplinary hearing.

Failure to respond to this Letter of Intent within fifteen (15) business days will be considered a waiver of your right to respond and will result in the imposition of the discipline indicated herein.

If you did not receive the investigative material on which your discipline is based at the time you were served with this correspondence, you may contact the Internal Affairs Bureau at

(323) 890-5300, to obtain a copy of the case file.

The Sheriff's Department reserves the right to amend and/or add to this letter.

Sincerely,

LEROY D. BACA, SHERIFF

Karyn Mannis, Captain
Internal Affairs Bureau

Note: Attached for your convenience are excerpts of the applicable areas of the Manual of Policy and Procedures.

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c: Advocacy Unit

Employee Relations Unit Chief Dennis Burns, Custody Operations Division Internal Affairs Bureau Office of Independent Review (OIR) (File #2163204)

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